

HAPPILY, nobody is quite so bad as the reputation some would give him.

HOME EDITION

A BIG LEADING NEWSPAPER OUT FOR ROOSEVELT

Often Criticized the Colonel, but Now for Him.

New York Times Picks T. R. Man of the Hour.

SUPPRESS POLITICAL HYPHEN

Eliminate Politicians Who Put Votes Above Americanism.

Suggests "Big Stick" Appropriately for Both Parties.

New York, May 17.—The New York Times, a Democratic paper often frank in its criticism of Theodore Roosevelt, has published a remarkable editorial acknowledgment of T. R.'s vital relation to the new and overpowering issues of the nation. It sees a new and greater opportunity and demand than ever before was presented for the exercise of Colonel Roosevelt's power to arouse the people to a sense of national danger.

The political sensation that was created recently when the New York Tribune, a stand-pat Republican newspaper, came out recently with its editorial pronouncement that the Republican national convention should choose the man of Oyster Bay almost passeth the understanding of those active and on the side lines of the great political game. For years, the Times has been one of Colonel Roosevelt's severest critics. Most folk would have thought that the Times would choose to death before it could speak of Mr. Roosevelt's "thrilling and marvellous career," or could that he is the man of the hour, and the only American that can arouse his fellow citizens to the needs of their nation. But the New York Times actually says these very things and most gracefully and handsomely in the editorial in question, which it presents as follows under the caption "Mr. Roosevelt's Opportunity."

"Mr. Roosevelt's hat is always in the ring, and his latest notice of his readiness for the shindy is superfluous for public comprehension of his political intentions. It is timely, however, as a reminder to the officers of the Old Guard that they must not presume too much upon their yielding 'harmonious' relations with the reactionaries, conservatives, and straitest sect of Republican partisans were trying to persuade themselves that he was going to be reasonably facile, and that they had him 'beaten to a frazzle,' he stands up and proclaims again the necessity for much further public union. The prospects or the fortunes of his own candidacy need not bother us, and are doubtless estimated at present near their actual value by the shrewdest of politicians. The work that he can do for himself in furtherance of the cause of Americanism is incidental to this great, the invaluable service of making the Republican party, especially in the middle of the century, a party of, of rousing it from the slumber of dream of pacifism.

"The nation's Republican party, by its foolish and unpatriotic course of its representatives in congress, has given to the Democrats the merit of being better Americans, stronger asserters of American rights. The country will hear a good deal next fall of the pro-peace policy of its representatives on the McLenore resolution. It will be told again and again that the 142 votes against the resolution were given by Republicans and five by Progressives; that of the fourteen senators who voted against the resolution, only two are Democrats.

Plenty of Work for T. R.

"On the list of favorite sons of the primaries are Republicans who so voted, emboldened by their success. There is plenty of hard work for Mr. Roosevelt to do in the Republican party for the sake of the nation, and in the revival of the politico-racial hyphen in our politics, and in refusing any compromise with the politicians who put votes above the principles of Americanism, he does more than a partisan, he does a national patriotic service.

"It is as a national statesman, and not as a Progressive who seeks Republican honors, that his opportunity comes. An American, he will be preaching the gospel of undivided loyalty and allegiance to the United States; an American arousing populations ignorantly secure to the defenselessness of the United States and the inescapable patriotic American duty of preparedness. To Theodore Roosevelt in all his brilliant and marvelous career no greater or more fruitful occasion to stir the inert to latent vigor, to trimmers and the crawlers, to utter with all the fiery energy of his temperament and his unflinching loyalty to a united America, yielding to no alien influences, and no longer the butt of universal derision or an object of pity for the military impotence by which she invites attack.

Antidote for Whiffles Weakness.

"The Democrats, too, need the launching of that pitiless tongue. The Times has advised the Americans in the Hon. James Hays's district to apply at Oyster Bay for an antidote to the whiffles weakness of that Little American and Little Army man. It would be glad to have Mr. Roosevelt go into every congress district whose representative believes in the 'big stick' and as little as possible for national self-defense. Democrat or Republican, the representative who opposes an adequate army should hear from Mr. Roosevelt. The Times hopes that these men misrepresent their constituents. If it be true, as the Evening

The Topeka State Journal

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WEATHER FORECAST for Kansas: Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; probable showers in the southern part of the state.

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OBREGON SMILES

Assures Carranza U. S. Doesn't Intend War.

Reports El Paso Conference Was Highly Satisfactory.

Mexico City, May 17.—War Minister Obregon, in a statement to newspapermen today upon his return from El Paso, declared his absolute confidence that President Wilson contemplates no war with Mexico. He has so reported to Carranza.

Obregon said his conferences with General Scott and Furst had been highly satisfactory. He is satisfied, he said, that both army officers favored the necessity for much further diplomatic negotiations. While there may be sporadic efforts to have Carranza's recent withdrawal suggestion in force, he believes both governments will be content to play a waiting game.

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The United States in return for Carranza's concessions pledged that it would withdraw its forces as soon as border banditry is broken.

IT HAPPENED, AT LAST

Window Cleaner Loses Balance Falls Four Stories to Death.

Kansas City, May 17.—A window cleaner, working on the fourth floor windows of a downtown department store lost his balance today and plunged downward, breaking through a large section of the steel and glass canopy at the entrance of the store. The man was dead when the first person reached him.

The sidewalk was filled with shoppers but the screams of the shopgirls and the momentary halting of the traffic by the canopy apparently gave those beneath a chance to spring aside.

SPEER IS MAYOR AGAIN

Former Denver Executive Elected and Supplants Commission Gov't.

ANNUAL OPENING OF SHAWNEE GOLF CLUB ON MAY 30

The Shawnee Golf club will hold its annual opening on Tuesday, May 30, according to an announcement made at a meeting of the board of directors held at the Commercial club. Picnic parties, tournaments and other events will be features of the opening.

J. E. Spaulding, president of the club, announced that the improvements on the course probably would be completed in two weeks. Another bit of good news was to the effect that the financing of the new course would be realized from the dues and it would not be necessary to borrow money as was at first expected.

Four new members, on the waiting list were admitted and the membership list is now full. The new members are: Herman Greenbaum, W. E. Clinton, Robert C. March and H. E. Gavitt.

STILL BELOW NORMAL

Weather Bureau Holds Out No Hope of Warmer Weather.

Hourly temperature readings furnished by the weather bureau:

7 o'clock	50	11 o'clock	60
8 o'clock	54	12 o'clock	61
9 o'clock	58	1 o'clock	62
10 o'clock	59	2 o'clock	64
		3 o'clock	65

Temperatures today averaged 10 degrees below normal. The wind blew at the rate of 10 miles an hour from the west. The maximum velocity last night was 15 miles an hour. The sky will remain cloudy and threatening and there is a possibility of rain to-night or tomorrow.

FEUD LEADER ON TRIAL

Hillsville, Va., May 17.—Will McGraw, who shot and killed Jasper Allen, one of the Allen clan, implicated in the Hillsville court murders, is on trial here on a murder charge. All persons entering the courtroom were searched for firearms. Witnesses today described exchanges between Allen and McGraw just before the killing, which took place last March near Mount Airy. Two women testified that McGraw had made a remark reflecting on the courage of Wesley Edwards, a member of the Allen clan, and that a quarrel developed.

CARS FALL OFF TRESTLE ON ALASKAN RAILROAD

Fairbanks, Alaska, May 17.—Two cars of a passenger train on the Tanana Valley railroad fell off a trestle 25 feet high yesterday when the train was derailed while rounding a curve in the hills, and dropped into a shallow stream. Twenty passengers on the train were rescued unhurt.

CHARGE REPULSED

Verdun Deadlock Unchanged; Grenade Attack Fails.

Naval Clash on Belgian Coast—Aeroplane in Raid.

Paris, May 17.—German troops made an attack with grenades last night on French positions in the vicinity of Deadman Hill. The effort failed. The official report of today says: "To the east of the Meuse along the Verdun front there was continuous cannonading on both sides, particularly by Haendremont wood and Vaux Pond.

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Express Drivers Hurl Bricks at Strike Breakers; One Fatally Hurt.

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KISSING AND SWEARING

Boston Stenographers Want These Eliminated From Office Routine.

Boston, Mass., May 17.—Kissing is to be taboo in business offices and the gentle caress must be forewarned by employers in the future, if the "clean up" campaign launched by the United Stenographers Association, Accounts and Office Employees of Greater Boston today has its desired results.

EARL SIMS SAYS HE ASSSESSED IN BLOWING SAFE

Adopted Son of County Commissioner Confesses Burglary.

Tells How He and Two Others Entered Grocery Store.

WOMAN TIPPED OFF STORY

One Man's Sweetheart Let Out Return of Gang Member.

Clever Ruse of Police in Hunting Down the Suspect.

Warrants were issued in the court of Topeka this morning for Earl Franklin Sims, William Butler and F. M. Nelson, charging them with entering the Fritton grocery at 1030 and 1032 East Fourth street and blowing the safe with nitro-glycerine.

There are two complaints in each case, one charging burglary and the other charging larceny.

Sims is an adopted son of Frank Sims, former county commissioner. Butler was also an adopted son and his foster parents are now dead. Nelson is a drifter.

The issuance of the warrants followed a complete confession made by young Sims to the police last night in which he told in detail of the burglary committed during the night of April 8.

Two Arrests Yesterday.

Butler and Nelson were arrested after 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Sims has not yet been arrested but he will be, according to Harvey Parsons, chief of police. Butler is held in the county jail and Nelson in the city jail, in order to keep them from getting together on a story.

The night of April 7 the p-w-d house of the W. A. L. Thompson Hardware company west of town was broken into and a large quantity of dynamite was carried away. This, according to Sims's story, was taken to the cellar of the Butler house on Adams street and cooked until the nitro-glycerine was reduced to a liquid form. And it was this "soup" that was used on the Fritton safe. Sixty-two dollars was secured for the safe.

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LAND VILLA EXPEDITION

On Trial for Violation of Neutrality Owner and Captain Are Fined.

Pensacola, May 17.—L. J. Diaz, owner, and Captain H. B. Snell, master of the schooner Lucy H., pleaded guilty in federal court here late yesterday to charges of violating United States neutrality by landing an armed Villa expedition on the coast of Mexico. Diaz was fined \$200 and Snell \$50.

BINDCASEMENT OVER TO HIGHER ENGLISH COURT

Prosecution Proves Grounds at Preliminary Trial.

Rebellion Leader Waives Right to Offer Defense.

SIR ROGER SHEDS MORE TEARS

Weeps as Witness Relates Fate of Rebel Ship And.

Rifles Were Russia Make, Captured by Germans.

London, May 17.—Sir Roger Casement and Danby Hall, who were committed for trial today for high treason. This decision was reached at the conclusion of the preliminary hearing of these men on the charge of participation in the Irish rebellion, which has been in progress since Monday. The date of the trial and the court before which it will be held have not yet been announced.

When the case was reopened today Constable Carter of the Royal Irish Constabulary was recalled for cross examination at the request of the defense. The trend of the questions indicated that at the time of his arrest Bailey attempted unsuccessfully to give information to the police in regard to the projected uprising.

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JAILS MUM WITNESS

Kansas City, May 17.—Because he refused to answer questions put to him by Jesse James, Jr., an attorney, who was taking depositions, Miss Evelyn D. Ryle, 19 years old, a stenographer who had been in the employ of the late James W. F. Anderson committed to the county jail until he decided to comply with her demand.

Anderson was arrested in March on a charge of grand larceny. The two were alleged to have stolen four motor cars and a house and released on bond about a week ago.

On the advice of his attorney, Francis O'Sullivan, Anderson refused to answer questions put to him by the attorney taking depositions asked.

"What is your name?" the attorney asked.

"Answer the question," ordered Miss Ryle. But the witness still remained mute.

KEEP SHY OF POLITICS

Bishop Admonishes Pastors to Preserve Neutrality in Pulpits.

Newark, N. J., May 17.—Clergymen attending the annual convention of the Newark diocese of the Protestant Episcopal church were admonished by Bishop Dahlgren D. E. to preserve absolute neutrality in their pulpits.

VOTE ON NEW BISHOPS

Dr. Nicholson Led Field of 262 Methodist Candidates.

Saratoga Springs, May 17.—Balloting for the new bishops of the Methodist church was continued when the general conference of the denomination resumed its deliberations today. The first ballot was taken yesterday but none of the candidates received the necessary two-thirds vote of the conference.

WILL STAY IN JAIL LIFETIME FOR CONTEMPT

Pittsburg, May 17.—Christian Lieberman, a Civil war veteran, who has already spent two years in the Allegheny county jail for contempt of court because he refused to obey a court order to remove his old home to make way for a public highway near McKeesport, has returned to jail voluntarily and says he will spend the rest of his life there unless the court changes its mind.

RAID U. S. RANCH

Bandits Cross Into Texas and Drive Off Livestock.

Posse Pursuing Mexicans Who Murdered Harp.

Mercedes, Texas, May 17.—Three Mexican bandits raided the stock ranch of John P. Sewell, south of Mercedes, at midnight last night, taking several head of stock and a number of saddles. It was positively asserted by the Mexican cowboys on guard that the men came from the south side of the Rio Grande. A report was immediately made to military authorities. Military telephone lines between here and Donna have been cut several times since Sunday.

FOR T. R. ON 'ROAD'

Traveling Men Favor Roosevelt, Says A. McQ. Carr.

Nation's Situation Demands Colonel's Help.

Sentiment among western travelers is strong for Colonel Roosevelt. That is the statement made in Topeka today by A. McQ. Carr of Wichita, who declares that six months has seen a tremendous swing to the colonel in the western states and that the sentiment is in line with the expressions of the knights of the grip. Among the Roosevelt supporters this year, Carr states, are many men who in former years have been identified as stand-pat Republicans, Progressives—even Democrats.

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USE A SLIDING SCALE

Shoe Clerk May Go as High as the Shoe, Judge Rules.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 17.—The momentous question "how far may a gentleman shoe clerk go in fitting a pair of high top shoes on a woman?" was still unanswered today after one perplexed salesman and two women customers took their case before a magistrate.

Mrs. Charles Trebes, 35, accompanied by Miss Mary Coy, 29, was examining a pair of high top shoes in the shop of Isadore Feldheim, 50, when suddenly boxes, foot stools and shoes were hurled at the clerk.

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TROOPERS ROUND UP BRIGANDS

Surround Big Bend Raiders and Take 75 Prisoners.

After Killing Six, the Rest of Band Surrender.

SOLDIERS RESCUE J. DEEMER

U. S. Soldiers Overtake Captors and Rout Them.

Merchant Kidnaped During Big Bend Raid Week Ago.

WERE 125 MILES IN MEXICO

Corroborate Report Howze's Troopers Killed 55 Bandits.

High Mortality Credited to New Style .45 Revolvers.

Marathon, Texas, May 17.—A truck driver arriving here today from Bouquillas said that it was reported on the border that Major Langhorne and two troops of cavalry had surrounded the Big Bend bandit raiders about 125 miles from the border, killing six and capturing 75. Officers here have made no announcement regarding such an engagement.

According to the truck driver's report, the bandits were surrounded and did not put up a fight. The Americans ceased firing at once. The 75 captured it was said were to be brought here for trial.

Marathon, Texas, May 17.—Jesse Deemer, rancher and storekeeper, and Munro Payne, negro, captured by the Glenn Springs raiders, have been rescued by American troops at a town in Mexico, according to unconfirmed reports reaching here today.

NOT TO RAISE PRICES

Only Learn Better Methods, Putman Tells Lumbermen's Convention.

Wichita, Kan., May 17.—The Kansas and Oklahoma Lumber Dealers association opened its annual convention here this morning with an attendance of 500. The attitude of the public toward the lumber dealer was discussed at length at the opening session. Publicity and open sessions were suggested to correct the general impression that the lumbermen meet in convention for the purpose of fixing prices.

Dr. A. M. Brodie of Wichita spoke on "The Business Man and Civic Problems." This afternoon Dr. Putman of Fayetteville, Ark., spoke on Advertising Efficiency. He urged that the lumber business be given the fullest publicity.

"Go home," he said to the dealers, "and tell your home newspapers that you are doing your best to get a better home for your business, not to raise the price of lumber."

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